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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Roma, Norbert

Serial No.: 09/551,014

Filed: April 18, 2000

For: A Method and Apparatus
for Comparing Scores in a
Vector Space Retrieval Process

Group Art Unit: 2141

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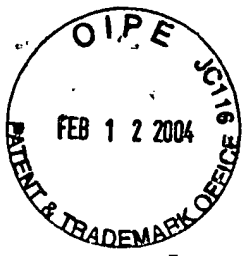
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AMENDMENT & RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action dated October 7, 2003. The three month shortened statutory response period expired on January 7, 2004. The one month extension period having expired on Saturday, February 7, 2004, this response is considered timely filed with a one month extension of time. The fee for a one month extension of time is enclosed with this response.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 8 of this paper and include two attached replacement sheets.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.

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